

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

SAITO et al Atty. Ref.: 1417-375; Confirmation No. 2632  
Appl. No. 10/023,220 Group: 1711  
Filed: December 20, 2001 Examiner: Asinovsky  
For: METHACRYLATE-BASED POLYMER AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE  
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August 20, 2003

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2003 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due June 4, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is \$930 and should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 14-1140. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now September 4, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.